

Claims

1. An odour-reducing sheet divided into a plurality of tear-off pieces.
5
2. An odour-reducing sheet as claimed in claim 1, wherein the sheet comprises a fibrous material which carries an odour-adsorbing material.
3. An odour-reducing sheet as claimed in claim 2, wherein the odour-adsorbing material is selected from carbon, a zeolite, titanium dioxide, zinc oxide, aluminium, and mixtures thereof.
10
4. An odour-reducing sheet as claimed in claim 3, wherein the odour-adsorbing material comprises particulate activated carbon.
15
5. An odour-reducing sheet as claimed in any of claims 2, 3 or 4, wherein the odour-adsorbing material is present in the sheet in an amount of at least 5%(w/w) of the total weight of the sheet.
- 20 6. An odour-reducing sheet as claimed in any of claims 2 to 5, wherein the odour-adsorbing material is present in the sheet in an amount of no more than 60%(w/w) of the total weight of the sheet.
- 25 7. An odour-reducing sheet as claimed in any of claims 2 to 6, wherein the odour-adsorbing material comprises a binder arranged to inhibit or substantially avoid shedding of the odour-reducing material from the sheet.
- 30 8. An odour-reducing sheet as claimed in claim 7, wherein the binder is present in the sheet in an amount of at least 5%(w/w), of the total weight of the sheet.

9. An odour-reducing sheet as claimed in any preceding claim, wherein the sheet is a non-woven fibrous sheet material.
10. An odour-reducing sheet as claimed in any preceding claim, wherein the sheet material is an air permeable sheet.
11. An odour-reducing sheet as claimed in any preceding claim, wherein the sheet comprises polyester, polyamide, cellulosic or polyamide fibres, or a mixture thereof.
12. An odour-reducing sheet as claimed in any preceding claim, wherein the sheet is divided into a plurality of tear-off pieces by perforations.
13. An odour-reducing sheet as claimed in any preceding claim, wherein the sheet is of area in the range $0.4\text{-}1.2\text{m}^2$ and is divided into a plurality of tear-off pieces each of area in the range $400\text{-}1000\text{cm}^2$.
14. An odour-control kit comprising an odour-reducing sheet as claimed in any preceding claim and a resealable plastics closure, and optionally adhesive strips and at least one clothes hanger.
15. A method of reducing odours using an odour-reducing sheet as claimed in any of claims 1 to 13, or of portion(s) thereof, the portion(s) having been torn from the sheet, the sheet or portion(s) thereof being disposed at a locus in which the unwanted odours are present.
16. A method as claimed in claim 15, wherein the odour-reducing sheet or portion(s) thereof are used in one of the following ways: placed under a mat, rug or carpet; placed under or over a mattress; placed in a pet basket; placed in a laundry basket; placed in luggage before storage; placed in a car footwell or car boot; placed under a fitted chair or sofa cushion; placed inside an item or footwear, for example a shoe or boot;

used to line a drawer; placed in a plastics closure with items requiring deodorising; or fashioned into a shroud-like cover inside which a jacket, coat, suit or trousers are placed.

- 5 17. An odour-reducing sheet substantially as described herein with reference to the accompanying drawing.
18. An odour-control kit substantially as described herein with reference to the accompanying drawing.
- 10 19. A method of reducing odours substantially described herein with reference to the accompanying drawing.